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HUNDREDS DEAD IN FIGHT AT LAREDO

TODAY'S BATTLE THERE BELIEVED TO BE BLOODIEST OF THE PRESENT REVOLUTION.

MACHINE GUNS DEADLY

Use of Machine Guns on Both Sides Responsible for Heavy Death Toll—Red Cross Workers Report Finding Two Hundred Dead at Noon Today.

Laredo, Tex., Jan. 1.—One of the bloodiest assaults of the present revolution was made by the constitutionalists at Nuevo Laredo, across the river, opposite Laredo, this morning. The Red Cross workers reported that during the lull in the fighting shortly before noon today they found over two hundred dead and many wounded.

The use of machine guns on both sides accounted for the many deaths. The first assault was indeterminate, the constitutionalists retiring promising to renew the attack possibly this afternoon.

One company of sixty-five federals was cut off and it is reported that every member of the company was killed.

The fighting at Nuevo Laredo began at 5:45 this morning, when three hundred shots were fired and the barking of one cannon was heard. A lull followed before the battle was renewed.

Horrible Sights of Battle. Presidio, Tex., Jan. 1.—The battle of Ojinaga continued today. Horrifying scenes were witnessed from the American side, as wounded soldiers with shattered arms or legs shot off, struggled through the river to Texas, all pleading with the American soldiers for help.

All physicians and medical supplies have been placed at the disposal of the wounded. Some of the wounded begged the American soldiers to kill them.

Soon after daylight a column of soldiers swept out of the city to attack the constitutionalists, who could be seen to the eastward from the American side. Three companies of federals were seen to run toward the river, apparently deserting their comrades, who shot them dead.

Before the federals made their attack to the east, the main body of the constitutionalists appeared unexpectedly from the south, and the federals fled into the city, where in the semi-circular entrenchments box cars and sand bars, they opened with a heavy fire.

The constitutionalists advanced to the outskirts of the city, but the machine guns seemed too much for them and they retired. By nine o'clock there was a lull in the fighting.

A Mexican boy, aged 6, was shot through the heart on the main plaza of Nuevo Laredo. Hundreds of Mexican women, girls and children of the poorer classes lined the Laredo curb stones this morning. Many brought some bedding or other possessions, and the little girls hugged their Christmas dolls.

Expect Ojinaga's Surrender. Presidio, Tex., Jan. 1.—At noon today the surrender of the whole Mexican federal army in Ojinaga to the United States troops was expected momentarily.

ALLEY VIEW SAFES BLOWN.

Burgers Secure Powder from Shotgun Shells in Hardware Store. Gainesville, Tex., 31.—Burglars used an entrance into the grocery store of J. M. Willock and hardware store of J. S. Leadford at Valley View, ten miles south of Gainesville this morning and blew open the safes in both stores. The burglars obtained their explosives to blow open the safes by taking powder out of shotgun shells. They secured about \$100 in cash and departed on an early Santa Fe train toward Fort Worth. Officers from Gainesville are investigating.

GREAT TENOR WILL COME.

If Music Lovers Desire, Date Can Be Arranged for Evan Williams.

Prof. C. W. Richards received a letter from the Wolfson Musical Bureau this morning asking him if the music lovers of this city would like to hear the great tenor, Evan Williams, and if so, that a concert could be arranged here the week of February 23.

Mr. Williams as an artist in concert and oratorio has no superior in the world today, he is a disciple of English, and was among the first singers in this country to sing such numbers as the "Prize Song" from "Die Meistersinger," in English.

No singer of today has done more to preserve the lofty Handel style than Evan Williams, whenever he is announced for a part in the "Messiah," music lovers who know of his wonderful work are delighted and he easily outranks all other artists in that particular oratorio.

Mr. Richards stated this morning that he would take the matter up with the women's clubs of the city, the music lovers generally, and if possible, the great tenor would be here some time in February.

REGULAR MEETING COMMERCIAL CLUB

TONIGHT AT 7:30 O'CLOCK AT THE COUNTY COURT HOUSE ALL ARE URGED TO COME.

tonight the regular monthly meeting of the commercial club will be held at the club rooms in the court house and as there are several matters of vital importance to come before the body the president and secretary urge that there be a full attendance on the first day of the new year. The hotel proposition has been occupying the attention of the club for several days and there are some reports to be made on the subject, also the question of good roads in the county are to come in for discussion and some action taken. The attendance of the commercial club meetings has been woefully small in the past and the president wishes to impress upon the members that it takes something more than paying of dues to the organization to accomplish much in the way of city building and hopes that every member will respond to this call to night and begin the new year right by taking renewed interest in the betterment of Ardmore.

UNEMPLOYED MOB DISTURBS CHICAGO

POLICE NECESSARY TO DISPERSE CROWD OF THREE HUNDRED WORKING MEN.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 1.—Entering restaurants and demanding food, breaking windows, puncturing automobile tires, halting street cars and shouting that they wanted work, five hundred unemployed men created a great disturbance in the downtown streets early today.

The police finally dispersed them. They bore a banner, upon which was inscribed "we demand work, not charity."

RAPS GAMES OF CHANCE.

Texas Attorney General Rules Against Merchants' Plan of Giving Prizes. Austin, Tex., Jan. 1.—The attorney general ruled today that any scheme of distributing prizes by chance is a lottery. This affects merchants' schemes of giving customers coupons.

Large Diamond Found.

New York Dec. 31.—Diamond dealers here have heard with interest that a new big diamond has made its appearance in London. It is a stone of the first water, weighing 375 1/2 carats, and was found by an English digger named Bowker at Orongvold, South Africa.

MANY WATCH THE OLD YEAR OUT

ELKS AND KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS KEEP OPEN HOUSE UNTIL AFTER BIRTH OF NEW YEAR.

The Elks and Knights of Pythias kept open house last night to watch the old year out and the new year in, and when the hour of midnight arrived, assisted in the pandemonium that broke loose simultaneously in all parts of the city. At the Knights of Pythias hall about thirty couples indulged in an informal dance and so well was the function enjoyed that the dancers remained long after midnight. Today the streets of the city present a deserted appearance, the banks, all city and county offices are closed, and the employees as a rule are out in the fields with dog and gun, but those who remained in the city were out early wishing their friends a bright and prosperous new year.

The oldest inhabitant of this city remarks that this has been the quietest Christmas ever known in Ardmore, in times past the people were inclined to loosen during the holidays and make things lively if not noisy, but there seems to be a disposition now to spend the holidays in a safe and sane manner and, needless to say, it is a decided improvement over the old system. Many of this county have not done their Christmas shopping yet from the fact that for the past six weeks the roads have been mighty near impassable, but merchants are consoling themselves with the fact that they will get the trade as soon as the roads will permit these people getting to town, and now that the year 1913 and its line is a thing of the past every one took advantage of an early start this morning and made their New Year's resolutions early.

ARDMORE MAN'S UNIQUE INVENTION

RAIL LOCKING DEVICE THAT WILL MAKE INVENTOR RICH IF IT MEETS APPROVAL.

Robert L. Boyer of this city has patented a rail locking device that he is going to submit to the big railroad systems and if it meets with their approval the contrivance will make him a rich man.

The device is a nut lock and fish plate used in joining the ends of rails together and from his plans seems extremely simple and practical. He is going to take the matter up with the Santa Fe officials at once and get their opinion on the subject. Mr. Boyer has lived here for a number of years and his friends are hoping that his patent will be entirely successful.

BARBERS TO RAISE PRICES.

After March 1st Prices of Hair Cut Will Be 35 Cents.

The annual meeting of the barbers union was held last night and officers elected for the ensuing year. Deo Elliott was elected President, H. R. Cheek, Vice-president, Joe Huckaby Secretary. J. H. Smith Treasurer. The above named officers will also act as the executive committee. J. H. Smith, H. R. Cheek, and E. E. Cobb were elected as delegates to the trades council.

There were no changes made in the hours and no changes in the scale of prices for the present, but it was decided that after the first of March the price for a hair cut would be raised to 35 cents.

FLIES OVER JERUSALEM.

French Aviator Gives Large Crowd Its First Sight of Aeroplane. Jerusalem, Jan. 1.—General Francis Xavier Bonnier, the French aviator, flew over Jerusalem New Year's eve. This was the first aeroplane ever seen here. He landed safely near the pool of Siloam. Vast crowds turned out to see the flight.

PLAN FIFTY-ONE STORY BUILDING

PAN AMERICAN STATES ASSOCIATION TO ERECT WORLD'S TALLEST BUILDING.

New York, Jan. 1.—The Pan-American States association filed plans yesterday for the tallest building in the world. It will be fifty-one stories or 894.6 feet, and will be erected on Broadway and Fifty-eighth street.

Notice.

All persons who have left watches with me for repair are hereby notified to call and get same at once. Otherwise they will be sold for charges. I. Roger, at Ramsey's Drug Store, 1-43, Wk1.

A Statement to Advertisers.

In the new era of prosperity of 1914 for Ardmore and its vicinity there is an imperative demand for a better paper. We are meeting that demand by increasing our news service, by employing more skilled newspaper men and this additional cost demands greater receipts. We are giving more for the money and we are expecting more.

For the past five or six years the advertising rates in the Daily and Weekly Ardmoreite have remained the same. To offset this the circulation of both papers has been gradually increasing until now it is almost double of five years ago. This increase has as a consequence increased the value of its columns to advertisers in its territory just that much more, for circulation is what an advertiser buys all newspapers and periodicals published in the United States increase their advertising rates twice and sometimes of ten each year or in proportion as their circulation increases. We cite as instances The Daily Oklahoma has increased its rates from 60 cents per inch 3 years ago to \$1.00 per inch now, and The Muskogee Times Democrat which raised from 30 cents per inch to 50 cents per inch a year ago. The Saturday Evening Post has increased its rates three times in the last year and now is getting \$6000.00 a page, for its space where the same space brought \$4000 one year ago. We state these facts to show that we are not the only publishers who increase rates. The poor crops and consequent bad times for the past three or four years have also kept us from increasing our rates but the past year has been better and with the outlook for another good oil field right at our door shows that Ardmore is more prosperous and will be more so in the future. This town must have a daily paper. The advantages of this community and Carter county cannot be successfully exploited in any other way. To have a paper here the merchants and business men must support it. The only thing a newspaper has to sell is its space. By buying that space liberally the merchant and business man not only helps this paper and the town, but helps himself for the readers of the "Ardmoreite" will patronize those who use its columns regularly and constantly.

The new rate card which will go into effect February 1st will be mailed to every advertiser and every would-be one in Ardmore and Carter county and our advertising man Mr. Daniels will call on each and every advertiser in town and explain fully anything further that might be necessary. Get in the wagon and boost for a blower and better Ardmore.

DENISON TEAM ELECTION.

Directors of Texas-Oklahoma League Club Are Named for 1914.

Denison, Tex., Dec. 31.—At a meeting of the stockholders of the Denison Baseball Association in the offices of the secretary-treasurer, R. M. Finley, the following directors were elected: Fred Marens, J. A. Chaffee, L. H. Barnes, T. J. Murphy and R. M. Finley. The directors will elect officers at some future date.

Two-Cent Cash Fare Refused.

McAlester, Ok., Dec. 31.—Four men boarded a Katy train last night at Durant to travel to Atoka and McAlester. By reason of the Frisco strike a new man was in the joint office and could not sell them tickets. They tendered the conductor fare at 2c per mile and he demanded 3c, which they refused to pay. An officer was telegraphed for and they were all put off the train at Caddo. One of the passengers, who arrived here today, told the story and said they had wired former Congressman Randal to take up the matter with the company.

FARMERS INST. MEETS SATURDAY

EVERY MEMBER IS URGED TO BE PRESENT AND TAKE SOME ACTION ABOUT FAIR.

The Carter county Farmers institute will meet at the commercial club rooms Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock for the purpose of enlisting volunteers to work for a Carter county fair. The association has never elected officers and are not in a hurry about this matter, the principal thing at present is securing signatures to the petitions asking that the county commissioners make an extra levy for fair purposes. President Helm urges every member of the institute who can to be present Saturday and discuss ways and means for a great fair next autumn.

WILL OCCUPY NEW STATION

DEPOT OF OKLAHOMA, NEW MEXICO & PACIFIC MOVED OVER FROM A TO C STREET.

The trains over the Oklahoma New Mexico & Pacific will leave tomorrow morning from the new temporary depot erected at the junction of C street and the right of way. Instead of A street where the trains have been leaving up to date. The new station although only a temporary structure will be far more convenient to the traveling public than the one that they have been using in the past.

MURRAY MAY COME.

Some of His Friends Expect Him Tonight. Invited to Court House.

Friends of Congressman William H. Murray are expecting him to arrive in Ardmore tonight over the Rock Island. Whether he is coming or not could not be learned definitely as a telephone message failed to reach him. In case he comes Secretary Felix K. West of the Commercial Club states that he would be invited to visit the club and to address the business men on the new currency bill. If he comes at all he cannot get here before about 9 o'clock and by that time the business of the club will be finished and those who desire to hear the congressman can remain for the speech.

Traveler Attempts Suicide.

McAlester, Okla., Dec. 31.—Despondent because of ill health, John Brown, of Parsons, Kansas, attempted suicide in the union station shortly after midnight Wednesday, stabbing himself in the breast and slashing his throat. His wife interfered and rushed him to a local hospital. He was on his way to Hot Springs, and was waiting for a Rock Island train.

TAMPA HAS DAILY AEROPLANE SERVICE

PASSENGER AND EXPRESS SERVICE TO ST. PETERSBURG BEGAN TODAY.

FARE FIVE DOLLARS

Passengers Limited to Two Hundred in Weight—Those Weighing More Than Two Hundred Pounds Must Pay Express Fares.

Tampa, Fla., Jan. 1.—A daily aeroplane, passenger and express service was inaugurated today between here and St. Petersburg, eighteen miles across the bay. The flight is made in twenty-three minutes. The fare is five dollars each way. If the passenger weighs over two hundred pounds, he must pay five cents excess for each pound over two hundred.

NEW YEAR'S RECEPTION

At the First Presbyterian Church Tonight.

The pastor and the officers and their wives will receive at the annex of the church tonight. All the members and those who attend the church are cordially invited to attend and bring their friends. A special invitation is extended to the newcomer and the stranger. Come and bring your friends.

McCORTIE WINS BATTLE.

Yankee Fighter Knocks Out Australian Champion in First Round. Sydney, Australia, Jan. 1.—Edward McCortie, American boxer, knocked out Dave Smith of Australia in the first round of their fight for the middleweight championship of Australia today.

WILL ORGANIZE PROVIDENT ASS'N

ALL PERSONS INTERESTED ARE REQUESTED TO MEET MRS. CURTIS TOMORROW AFTERNOON.

Mrs. Curtis states that she has invited several ladies of the city to meet at the court house tomorrow afternoon for the purpose of forming a permanent provident association in the city. The association will not be restricted wholly to the ladies, but any "mere man" who has a benevolent spark in his breast, can become a member, and what's more, a real working member at that if he desires.

After the expenses of the Christmas tree were all disposed of, there remained in the treasury nearly \$100, that was donated by the citizens, and this will be the nucleus around which a permanent fund will grow to look after the worthy poor of the city.

Mrs. Curtis has a thoroughly organized system of her own for finding out who the worthy and the unworthy are, and in the future the delinquent ones will receive scant comfort from her department. Mrs. Curtis states that she has an old-fashioned idea that if a person is able to work and the work is placed before them, that it is their duty to help themselves and to such cases as these especial attention will be paid in the future. The meeting tomorrow will be held in the rest room of the court house at three o'clock, and every lady in the city is invited to attend.

Schmidt Trial January 12.

New York, Dec. 31.—Hanns Schmidt in whose trial for the murder of Anna Ammiller, a jury disagreed Tuesday, will be tried for the second time beginning January 12, before the criminal branch of the state supreme court. This decision was reached on Wednesday at a conference between District Attorney Whitman and supreme justice Davis.